



Housing Advisory Board

Agenda

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Thursday, December 4, 2008

6:00 p.m.

Mesa City Council Chambers, Lower Level
57 East 1st Street
Mesa, Arizona

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Approval of Minutes from November 6, 2008, HAB Meeting
- III. Items from Citizens Present*
- IV. Discussion Items
 - A. Hear a Presentation on *Making Sustainable Communities Happen*, by Teresa Brice, Executive Director, LISC Phoenix.
 - B. Hear a Presentation on the *Decision Theater Model of the Mesa Main Street – An Opportunity to Discuss TOD*, by Lisa Faiss, Assistant Director of Integrated Urban Solutions, Decision Theater, ASU and Dr. Robert Pahle, Assistant Professor of Research, Decision Theater, ASU.
 - C. Discussion of the Challenges Facing this Board and the City of Mesa.

1. Given the problems we face from the growing economic crisis and aging of the Baby Boomers, e.g. foreclosures and Boomers' loss of retirement savings, what do the Board members think are the three main housing issues the City of Mesa will be facing over the short and long term?
2. As a Board, how can we put our time and expertise to best use? Special-focus subcommittees? Think tank approach? Something else?
3. What areas of expertise do individual HAB members have to help come up with creative solutions for problems?
4. How can the HAB help the City anticipate problems proactively and respond quickly? How can we help Mesa become a model city when it comes to "thinking outside the box" regarding housing issues?

D. Discussion of Recent Legislative Housing Issues.

V. Action Items

- A. There are No Action Items at this Time.**

VI. Staff Reports/Announcements

- A. Annual PHA Plan/Administrative Plan Updates**
- B. Housing Choice (Section 8) Voucher Program**
- C. Security Deposit Program**
- D. Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) – Status Update Including Role of HAB**
- E. Report on Meetings and Conferences – Attended and/or Upcoming**
 1. *Foreclosure Survival for Families and Neighborhoods*, 9:00 a.m. to Noon, 12/13/08 at Gilbert Town Hall and 01/10/09 at City of Mesa Utilities Building.

VII. Adjourn

*Members of the audience may address the Board on any item. State statute prohibits the Housing Advisory Board from discussing an item that is not on the agenda; however, the Board does listen to your concerns and has staff follow up on any questions you raise.